

CHAPTER NO. 372

SENATE BILL NO. 618

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Substituted for: House Bill No. 788

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to special license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Choose Life;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Choose Life new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain an appropriate logo and design. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative of New Life Resources.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Choose Life new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to New Life Resources in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively for counseling and financial assistance, including food, clothing and medical assistance, for pregnant women in Tennessee.

(d)(1) Funds produced by the sale of license plates pursuant to this section shall also comply with the provisions of this subsection.

(2)

New Life Resources

"Choose Life" Plate Proceeds

\$14,000 estimated gross Year 1 (1,000 plates at \$14 each)

	Year 1 Proposed Budget	Year 2 Proposed
Allocations		

Outreach 30%
Care and Concern Brochure
(Guide to Pregnancy Resource Centers in Tennessee)

\$1,500.00

Operation of Toll -Free Helpline

\$1,500.00

Membership in Adoption Coalitions across the state and participation in adoption
conference and fairs.
Total Outreach

\$1,000.00

\$4,000.00

Outreach to be maintained at 30% of Gross Plate Proceeds

Awareness 35%
Statewide advertising campaigns promoting adoption. Promotion of toll-free helpline.
Radio ads
Newspaper ads
Billboards
Yellow Pages
Total Awareness

\$5,000.00

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Awareness to be maintained at 35% of Gross Plate Proceeds

Direct Assistance 35%
Reimburse partner agencies for programs and services promoting adoption, parenting
skills, abstinence, pregnancy, nutrition, childbirth, and childhood development.

Total Direct Assistance

\$5,000.00

\$5,000.00

Direct Assistance to be maintained at 35% of Gross Plate Proceeds

Total

\$14,000.00

(3) New Life Resources is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization incorporated in 1995 to provide resources for women and families facing difficult or unexpected pregnancies. "Choose Life" Plate proceeds will be used to coordinate statewide awareness campaigns, a toll-free helpline and to reimburse social service providers who prepare adoptions throughout the state for services and programs targeting at-risk women and families.

(4) Disbursement of funds shall begin within forty-five (45) days of receiving first plate proceeds. As the number of plates sold increases, additional funding will be used to increase each line item above.

(5) As a 501(c)(3), New Life Resources may not use any funds for the purposes of lobbying, promoting legislation or the election or defeat of any political candidate.

(6)(A) The nonprofit agencies identified in this subdivision shall maintain a partnership with New Life Resources for purposes of providing adoption social services at no cost to Tennessee's at-risk women and families.

(B) Upon establishment of criteria for service reimbursement, no less than 35% of plate proceeds will be directed to the following agencies to be used in providing direct assistance to clients:

A Woman's Place	1020 South Garden Street	Columbia	TN
38401			
AAA Women's Services	6232 Vance Road	Chattanooga	
			TN
37421			
Abortion Alternatives & CPC	516 Houston Ave., Suite 202	Bristol	TN 37260
Abortion Alternatives & CPC	818 West G. Street	Elizabethton	
			TN
37643			
Abortion Alternatives Christian			
Services	817 W. Walnut Street #5A	Johnson City	
			TN
37604			
Agape House	210 Oakland	Martin	TN 38237
Bethany Christian Services	400 S. Germantown Road	Chattanooga	


				TN
37411				
Bethany Christian Services	5816 Kingston Pike	Knoxville	TN	37919
Bethany Christian Services	1200 Division Street	Nashville	TN	37203
Birth Choice Inc.	118 North Wilson	Brownsville		
			TN	
38012				
Birth Choice Women's				
Resource Center	391 Wallace Road	Jackson	TN	
38305				
Birthright – Jackson	239-C North Parkway	Jackson	TN	
38305				
Care Net Pregnancy Services	305 South Main Street	Dickson	TN	37055
Caring Choices of Catholic				
Charities	30 White Bridge Road	Nashville	TN	
37205				
Choices Resource Center	140 E. Division Rd., Ste. C-2	Oak Ridge	TN	
37831				
Choose Life/Save-A-Life	PO Box 1022	Fayetteville	TN	37334
Crisis Pregnancy Center of				
Cookeville	694 S. Willow Street	Cookeville	TN	38501
Crisis Pregnancy Center of				
Manchester	2178 New Tullahoma Highway	Manchester	TN	37355
First Choice Pregnancy				
Counseling	503 Madison Street	Shelbyville	TN	37160
Full Circle Pregnancy Resources	108 Green Street	Athens	TN	37303
Heart to Heart	133 W. Pleasant	Covington	TN	38019
Crisis Pregnancy Support Center	325 North Second Street	Clarksville	TN	
37041				
Hope Clinic	1810 Hayes Street	Nashville	TN	
37203				
Hope For Life	106 Blevins Road	Rogersville	TN	37857
Hope Resource Center	2700 Painter Ave.	Knoxville	TN	
37919				
Life Choices	503 Tucker	Dyersburg	TN	38024
Life Choices	2235 Covington Pike, Suite 14	Memphis	TN	38128
Life Outreach Center	PO Box 721	Jefferson City		
			TN	
37760				
Birth Right Of Memphis	115 Alexander	Memphis	TN	38111
Mercy Ministries	15328 Old Hickory Blvd.	Nashville	TN	37211-
2042				
Miriam's Promise	37 Rutledge St.	Nashville	TN	37210
Mid-South Christian Services	920 Estate Drive, Suite 5	Memphis	TN	
38119				
New Hope Care Center	4526 Mouse Creek Road NW	Cleveland	TN	37312
New Life Family Center	4802 Charlotte Ave.	Nashville	TN	37209
Open Arms	336 N. Spring Street	Sparta	TN	38583
Plateau Pregnancy Services	99 Walker Hill Street	Crossville	TN	
38557				
Pregnancy Care Center of				
Warren County	100 Center Street, Ste. B	McMinnville		
			TN	
37110				
Pregnancy Help Center	137 S. College Street	Lebanon	TN	37087

Pregnancy Resource Center	718 Neff Street	Maryville	TN 37804
Pregnancy Support Center	745 S. Church Street	Murfreesboro	TN
37130			
Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy Center	394 West Main Street, Ste. A-7	Hendersonville	TN
37075			
Small World Ministries	401 Bonnaspring Dr.	Hermitage	TN
37076			
Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes	6896 Hwy 70	Memphis	TN 38133
Tennessee Baptist Children's Home	P.O. Box 519	Franklin	TN 37065
Tomorrow's Hope Pregnancy Care Center	204 W. Blythe	Paris	TN 38242
Women's Care Center	1332 Market St.	Dayton	TN 37321
Women's Care Center	304 Eastgate Road	Sevierville	TN 37862
A Secret Place for Newborns of Tennessee, Inc.	P.O. Box 4276	Maryville	TN 378024276
Snap Special Needs Adoption	Goodwill Homes for Children		
	4590 Goodwill Road	Memphis	TN 38109

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 29, 2003


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this day of 2003

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR

Pursuant to Article III, Section 18, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, the Governor had Senate Bill No. 618 in his possession longer than ten (10) days; therefore, the bill becomes law without the Governor's signature.